# CITY GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL SAVANNAH, GEORGIA July 21, 2016

The regular meeting of Council was held this date at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison followed by the Invocation by Pastor William Thomas, Jr., Greater Gains Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Eddie W. DeLoach, Presiding

Mayor Pro-Tem, Carol Bell

Alderman Julian Miller, Chairman of Council Alderman Brian Foster, Vice-Chairman of Council

Aldermen Tony Thomas, John Hall, Bill Durrence, Van Johnson

City Manager Stephanie Cutter City Attorney W. Brooks Stillwell

Assistant City Attorney Lester Johnson, III Assistant City Attorney William Shearouse

ABSENT: Alderman Estella Shabazz- out of town attending NBC/ Leo in Columbus, OH

Upon motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried the agenda was amended to add the following: Bay Street Improvements., settlements for Benjamin Tucker and Joseph Lloyd, an appearance from representatives of J-TAG (Teens in Action Globally, and approval was given for the Mayor to sign an affidavit and resolution on Litigation for an Executive Session held today where no votes were taken. (SEE RESOLUTIONS)

# **MINUTES**

Upon motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried the summary/final minutes for the City Council Work Session of June 30, 2016 were approved.

Upon motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried the summary/final minutes for the City Manager's briefing of July 7, 2016 were approved.

Upon motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried the summary/final minutes for the City Council meeting of July7, 2016 were approved.

Martin Fretty and representatives from Community Help, Inc. recognized the nonprofit's leadership and partnership with the city that has led to the repair of 44 homes owned by low-income Savannahians.

Julie Mclean, Director of City's Development Services and Tom McDonald, Flood Plane Administrator presented an award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency recognizing the City's recent rating upgrade for taking steps to reduce flood hazards in our community. The upgrade will result in lower flood insurance premiums for Savannah homeowners. The Mayor read the resolution to recognize their achievement.

Rev. G. Lind Taylor discussed the Church Adopt-A-School Initiative, which enlists the help of area churches to fund the purchase of school uniforms needed by local students.

Martin (Marty) Maskowitz and Nitzan Aviv representatives from J-TAG Fellows (Teens in Action Globally) which is led by inspiring facilitators and Jewish educators from both countries discussed there month long summer program that creates life-long connections between Israeli and American Jewish teens (entering 10th - 12th grades) as they explore together the pillars of Jewish peoplehood, leadership and tikkun olam through transformative experiences. Mr. Maskowitz stated for eight years the camp has been active in Savannah and for the last three years they have been working with SYC; however, they struggle finding a location for the camp. He asked Council would they help find a permanent home to host the summer camp. Alderman Johnson stated they are working on their request.

## <u>LEGISLATIVE REPORTS</u> ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE HEARINGS

As advertised, the following alcoholic license petitions were heard. No one appeared in objection to the issuance of these licenses.

**David Curlip for Savannah Seafood Shack, Inc. t/a Savannah Seafood Shack,** requesting beer and wine (drink) license at 116 East Broughton Street, which is located between Abercorn Street and Drayton Street in District 2. The applicant plans to operate a full-service restaurant. (New ownership/management) **Recommend Approval**. Hearing closed upon motion of Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Bell, and unanimously carried. Approved upon motion of Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Thomas, per the City Manager's recommendation.

George Glykis for Savannah's Music City Bar & Grill, LLC t/a Savannah's Music City Bar & Grill, requesting liquor, beer and wine (drink) license with Sunday sales at 65 West Fairmont Avenue, which is located between Abercorn Street and White Bluff Avenue in District 5. The applicant plans to operate a full-service restaurant. (New ownership/management) Recommend Approval. Hearing closed upon motion of Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Bell, and unanimously carried. Approved upon motion of Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Thomas, per the City Manager's recommendation.

Shantele Delmar for Ritzy Lounge, requesting liquor, beer and wine (drink) license with Sunday sales at 11412 Abercorn Street, which is located between Largo Drive and Idlewood Drive in District 6. The applicant plans to operate as a full-service restaurant. (New ownership/management) Recommend Approval. Alderman Thomas stated this establishment was a problem in the past; however, the petitioner has not been involved in the previous problems. This particular location has been an issue which required police and has had acts of violence. He asked to speak with Ms. Delmar to hear her plans for the location and her security plans. Ms. Delmar stated her plans for the business is for it to be a predominately jazz, rhythm

and blues lounge. She will serve food so it will be a full service restaurant. What she plans to do differently is work with SCMPD, hire certified security officers, and on high volume nights she plans to hire two SCMPD officers. She has a security plan in place which includes checking for IDs, installing metal detectors, providing staff with walkie talkies to communicate if any problem arises, and have SCMPD officers and her security patrol the outside premises of her establishment. Alderman Thomas stated loitering in the parking lot is not allowed and will not be tolerated; asked does she have a plan to clean the parking lot. Ms. Delmar stated she specified with her staff there will be a low tolerance for loitering outside of the lounge, and she is aware of the rules and it will not be tolerated from her or her patrons. Alderman Thomas asked have she personally operated a night club in the past. Ms. Delmar stated she have been a bar manager at Overtime Sports Bar & Grille for a year now and as long as she was a manager there have not been any problems. Alderman Thomas stated there is no reason they can deny this license to you today, but he wants to publicly state to her that he will keep a personal eye on this location because it has become a problem site. He wished her the best of luck and hope there is no need for calls to the police to come out to her establishment. If it gets out of hand he will immediately put pressure on staff to bring a Show Cause Hearing on the location. Ms. Delmar replied she understands completely. Alderman Thomas stated this location is in the Varsity Plaza and it was once a club called Boogies that eventually changed its name to Jay's Sports Grill and it abuts Wilshire neighborhood. There have been problems at this establishment under both of the previous names. The last time with Jay's Sports Grill where there were multiple calls to the police to come out to this location. There have also been fights in the parking lot, shots fired, and chases in the neighborhood that erupted into a location that was bringing down the entire shopping plaza and the area. He faults the City for not taking immediate and appropriate action on a club that was causing these types of problems. He hopes there is not a repeat of problems in the future and he wishes Ms. Delmar the best of luck, but the first incident that happens will elicit pressure from the neighborhood association, and other individuals including himself to do something to correct the problem before it becomes a fatality at Largo and Abercorn. Hearing closed upon motion of Alderman Thomas, seconded by Alderman Bell, and unanimously carried. Approved upon motion of Alderman Thomas, seconded by Alderman Durrence, per the City Manager's recommendations.

## **PETITIONS**

<u>Petition to encroach upon City rights of way for new office building development – Petition 160215.</u> Ryan Claus d/b/a Felder & Associates (Petitioner) representing Bouhan Falligant Attorneys & Counselors at Law (Property Owner) is requesting a license to encroach on the City's right of way (ROW) for the purpose of installing drainage/downspout, canopies, cornices, and structural footings for new construction of a three (3) story office building at 1 West Park Avenue. The proposed new construction has been reviewed by the Metropolitan Planning Commission and has been issued a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA).

The Bureau of Public Works & Water Resources, Development Services Department, Park and Tree Department, and Real Property Services Department have reviewed the petition and offer the following conditions of approval:

1. Petitioner will enter into the City's standard revocable license for encroachment agreement.

- 2. Any modifications to the sidewalk must meet all ADA and City Construction Standards.
- 3. Petitioner/Owner shall conduct a subsurface investigation (air spade) performed by an ISA certified arborist to identify locations of roots belonging to adjacent City trees and provide structural bridging of roots greater than 2" in diameter belonging to City trees where their location conflicts with proposed footers. Petitioner/Owner to maintain contact and work with the City's Park and Tree Department and with the City's Development Services Department regarding City trees and roots.
- 4. Roof drains should be discharged through the sidewalk and into the street gutter. Petitioner/Owner is required to contact the City's Stormwater Department for further clarification.
- 5. One of the requested footers is in close proximity to an existing fire hydrant (#01084). Petitioner/Owner shall field verify the exact location of said fire hydrant and contact Water & Sewer Planning/Engineering to ensure no conflict exists and/or appropriate measures are taken to relocate said fire hydrant.

Recommend approval to encroach onto Bull Street and Park Avenue rights of way for the purpose of installing canopies, cornices, structural footings, and a drainage/downspout for new construction of a three (3) story office building located at 1 West Park Avenue, subject to conditions noted. **Recommend approval**. Approved upon motion of Alderman Durrence, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried per the City Manager's recommendation.

## ORDINANCES SECOND READINGS

Ordinance read for the first time in Council July 7, 2016, and then read a second time July 21, 2016 placed upon its passage, adopted and approved upon a motion by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried.

### **Revisions to the City Administrative Ordinance**

REVISIONS TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE ORIDINANCE ARTICLE SECTIONS 8-1001 AND 8-1002 AND ARTICLE B SECTIONS 8-1034 THROUGH 8-THE REVISIONS UPDATE BUILDING CODE REFERENCES NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION ASSOCIATION 101 LIFE SAFETY CODE TO COMPLY WITH THE STATE OF GEORGIA'S UNIFORM CODE ACT, ELIMINATE THE OUTDATED FIRE LIMITS SECTION OF THE CODE, AND ADD FIRE OFFICIAL AND CODE OFFICIAL (PROPERTY MAINTAINCE TO DIRECTOR) WHERE **APPORPRIATE GRANT CODE ENFORCEMENT** AUTHORITY AND TO REFLECT CHANGES IN THE CITY'S ORGINIZATIONAL STRUCTURE.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED July 21, 2016** upon motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried. (**Ordinance on file in the Office of the Clerk of Council**)

#### **Revisions to the Fire Safety Code**

AN ORIDINANCE TO AMEND DIVISION II, PART 3, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE F OF THE CITY CODE TO REMOVE REFERENCE TO THE 1997 EDITION OF THE LIFE SAFETY CODE and REPLACE WITH REFERENCE TO THE NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION ASSOCIATION 101 LIFE SAFETY CODE TO ALIGN WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE ORIDINACE REVSIONS.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED: July 21, 2016 upon motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried. (Ordinance on file in the Office of the Clerk of Council)

#### **Property Maintenance Code Revisions**

### AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CURRENT EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE AS ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL PROPERTY, BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES; BY PROVIDING THE STANDARDS FOR SUPPLIED UTILITIES AND FACILITIES AND OTHER PHYSICAL THINGS AND CONDITIONS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT STRUCTURES ARE SAFE, SANITARY AND FIT FOR OCCUPATION AND USE; THE CONDEMNATION OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES UNFIT FOR HUMAN OCCUPANCY AND USE, AND THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah, Georgia, in regular meeting of Council assembled and pursuant to lawful authority thereof:

Section 1. That a certain document, a copy of which, as amended, is on file in the Office of the Clerk of Council and the Office of the Director of Property Maintenance Enforcement, being marked and designated as the International Property Maintenance Code edition as currently adopted by the Department of Community Affairs and all successor editions as may be adopted by the same from time to time as published by the International Code Council with the exception of Chapter I. and all Appendices, is hereby adopted as the Property Maintenance Code of the City of Savannah for regulating and governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures; by providing the standards for supplied utilizes and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use; and the condemnation of buildings and structures unfit for human occupancy and use, and the demolition of such structures as herein provided; providing for the issuance of permits and the collection of fees therefor; and each and all of the

regulations and provisions, penalties and conditions and terms of said Property Maintenance Code are hereby referred to, adopted, and made part hereof, as if fully set out in this ordinance, with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes prescribed in Section 2 of this ordinance.

<u>Section 2.</u> That if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The City of Savannah hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance, and each section, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

<u>Section 3.</u> That nothing in this ordinance or in the Property Maintenance Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 2 of this ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this ordinance.

<u>Section 4.</u> The adoption of the 2003 edition of the International Property Maintenance Code as approved by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah in 2004 is hereby repealed.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED: July 21, 2016** upon motion of Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Durrence, and unanimously carried.

# ORDINANCES FIRST and SECOND READINGS

Ordinance read for the first time in Council July 7, 2016, then by unanimous consent of Council read a second time, placed upon its passage, adopted and approved upon a motion by Alderman Durrence, seconded by Alderman Bell, and unanimously carried.

## Change of Parking Restrictions on East 34th Street.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY CODE TO LIFT THE PARKING PROHIBITION FOR THE EASTERN END OF THE SOUTH SIDE OF EAST 34<sup>TH</sup> STREET, BETWEEN WATERS AVENUE AND LIVE OAK STREET, TO ALLOW PARKING.

# AN ORDINANCE To Be Entitled

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND APPENDIX I, SECTION 219 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF SAVANNAH, GEORGIA (2003) PERTAINING TO SECTION 7-1091 OF SAID CODE TO PROVIDE THAT THE STREET NAMED HEREIN SHALL PROHIBIT STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING AT ALL TIMES: TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

<u>BE IT ORDAINED</u> by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah in regular meeting of Council assembled and pursuant to lawful authority thereof:

<u>SECTION 1:</u> That Appendix I, Section 219 of the Code of the City of Savannah, Georgia (2003), pertaining to Section 7-1091 of said Code, as amended, shall be amended as follows:

# AMEND SECTION 219, STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES TO INCLUDE

### **DELETE**

# 34<sup>th</sup> STREET

On both sides of 34<sup>th</sup> Street from Live Oak Street to Waters Avenue.

<u>SECTION 2</u>: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED: July 21, 2016** 

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<u>BE IT ORDAINED</u> by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah in regular meeting of Council assembled and pursuant to lawful authority thereof:

SECTION 1: That Appendix I, Section 219 of the Code of the City of Savannah, Georgia (2003), pertaining to Section 7-1091 of said Code, as amended, shall be amended by adding thereto the following:

AMEND SECTION 219, STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES TO INCLUDE

## **ENACT**

## 34<sup>th</sup> STREET

On the south side of 34<sup>th</sup> Street beginning at a point 140' west of Live Oak Street and continuing to Waters Avenue.

<u>SECTION 2</u>: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED: July 21, 2016** 

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SECTION 1: That Appendix I, Section 219 of the Code of the City of Savannah, Georgia (2003), pertaining to Section 7-1091 of said Code, as amended, shall be amended by adding thereto the following:

# AMEND SECTION 219, STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES TO INCLUDE

#### **ENACT**

# 34<sup>th</sup> STREET

On the north side of 34<sup>th</sup> Street from Live Oak Street to Waters Avenue.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED: July 21, 2016** 

### **Reduction in Speed Limit on East Broad Street.**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY CODE TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT ON EAST BROAD STREET BETWEEN EAST VICTORY DRIVE AND EAST LIBERTY STREET FROM 35 MPH TO 30 MPH, AND THAT A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE RADAR PERMIT BE SUBMITTED TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

### AN ORDINANCE To Be Entitled

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND APPENDIX I, SECTION 208 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF SAVANNAH, GEORGIA (2003) PERTAINING TO SECTION 7-1018 OF SAID CODE TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN SPEED LIMITS FOR OFF-SYSTEM HIGHWAYS ON THE STREETS NAMED HEREIN: TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND, FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

<u>BE IT ORDAINED</u> by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah in regular meeting of Council assembled and pursuant to lawful authority thereof:

<u>SECTION 1</u>: That Appendix I, Section 208 of the Code of the City of Savannah, Georgia (2003), pertaining to Section 7-1018 of said Code, as amended, shall be amended as follows:

#### AMEND SECTION 208, SPEED LIMITS FOR OFF-SYSTEM HIGHWAYS TO INCLUDE:

#### **DELETE**

Street	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Length</u>	Speed <u>Limit</u>
East Broad Street	Oglethorpe Avenue	Liberty Street	0.14	30
East Broad Street	Bay Street	Oglethorpe Avenue	0.30	30
East Broad Street	Liberty Street	Victory Drive	1.60	35

<u>SECTION 2</u>: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**ADOPTED and APPROVED: July 21, 2016** 

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<u>BE IT ORDAINED</u> by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah in regular meeting of Council assembled and pursuant to lawful authority thereof:

<u>SECTION 1</u>: That Appendix I, Section 208 of the Code of the City of Savannah, Georgia (2003), pertaining to Section 7-1018 of said Code, as amended, shall be amended as follows:

### AMEND SECTION 208, SPEED LIMITS FOR OFF-SYSTEM HIGHWAYS TO INCLUDE:

#### **ENACT**

<u>Street</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Length</u>	Speed <u>Limit</u>
East Broad Street	Bay Street	East Victory Drive	2.04	30

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**ADOPTED and APPROVED: July 21, 2016** 

## **RESOLUTIONS**

# A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SAVANNAH AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AFFIDAVIT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah as follows:

At the meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2016 the Council entered into a closed session for the purpose of discussing Litigation. At the close of the discussions upon this subject, the Council reentered into open session and herewith takes the following action in open session:

- 1. The actions of Council and the discussions of the same regarding the matter set forth for the closed session purposes are hereby ratified;
- 2. Each member of this body does hereby confirms that to the best of his or her knowledge, the subject matter of the closed session was devoted to matters within the specific relevant exception(s) as set forth above;

- 3. The presiding officer is hereby authorized and directed to execute an affidavit, with full support of the Council in order to comply with O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b); 17
- 4. The affidavit shall be included and filed with the official minutes of the meeting and shall be in a form as required by the statute.

### **ADOPTED and APPROVED: JULY 21, 2016**

Resolution Accepting Donation of Real Property Located Along Bay Street near Baker Park. Mr. Julien Friedman owns a remnant parcel (PIN #2-0026-09-002) along Bay Street as a result of land acquisition by the Georgia Department of Transportation to facilitate the Bay Street (state road) widening project. According to the Chatham County Board of Assessors, the remnant parcel contains 3,000 square feet and is assessed a market value of \$6,800. Mr. Friedman seeks to donate this parcel to the City.

# A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE GRANT OF A PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG BAY STREET NEAR BAKER PARK

**WHEREAS**: Mr. Julian Friedman owns a parcel of real property located along the south side of Bay Street at Britany Street in the City of Savannah, Georgia; said parcel also referenced as PIN 2-0026 -09-002 (the "Property"); and

**WHEREAS**: The Property is a remnant parcel remaining after acquisition of additional right-ofway lands to facilitate the Bay Street state road widening project; and

**WHEREAS**: The City owns real property adjacent to the Property, as well as nearby park lands associated with Baker Park; and

**WHEREAS**: Mr. Friedman has offered to donate the Property to the City to enhance greenspace, park space, and other public uses to the citizens of the City of Savannah.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah, in a regular meeting of Council assembled, that the City Manager is authorized to acknowledge acceptance of this grant of real property, subject to a clean environmental assessment, and record the same in the public records of Chatham County, Georgia.

**ADOPTED and APPROVED: July 21, 2016** upon motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried per the City Manager's recommendation.

#### RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN SUPPORT OF AMENDING THE FOLLOWING STREET IN THE RADAR PERMIT.

#### CITY OF SAVANNAH, CHATHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA

Pursuant to Section 40-6-183 of the Official Code of Georgia annotated concerning local

authorities power to alter lawful speed limits, the following ordinance regulating speed limits within the City of Savannah, Chatham County, Georgia is adopted.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of Savannah, Chatham County, Georgia, that the following speed zones are hereby established based on an engineering and traffic investigation as prescribed by law.

Road Name	Within the City / Town Limits of and/or School Name	From	То	Length in Miles	Speed Limit
East Broad Street	SAVANNAH	Bay St.	East Victory Dr	2.04	30

Be it resolved that any person convicted of a violation of this ordinance shall be punished as provided for by law. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED and APPROVED: July 21, 2016

### TRAFFIC ENGINEERING REPORTS

Traffic Calming Policy Revision. At the direction of Mayor and Aldermen, the appointed Traffic Calming Committee has drafted a revision to the 2010 traffic calming policy. The Traffic Calming Policy adopted by Mayor and Aldermen in 2010 has proved to be a cumbersome process, as shown in the Council update from December 2014. Since 2012, only four neighborhoods have completed the process of developing a neighborhood master plan. Of those four, two neighborhoods have proceeded to the 90-day trial measures period; no permanent measures have been installed.

In reviewing the existing policy, the members of the policy subcommittee identified the following challenges to successful implementation of traffic calming in the City of Savannah:

- Current policy requires a Traffic Calming Committee appointed by Mayor and Aldermen but does not assign any duties or responsibilities,
- Does not allow for the submission of citizen requests for traffic calming, and
- Requires substantial City staff time for neighborhood meetings and master planning prior to determining whether a majority of residents want traffic calming.

As drafted, the recommended traffic calming policy addresses these concerns by:

- Providing an avenue for citizens to request neighborhood traffic calming,
- Assigns the responsibility of initial vetting of new traffic calming requests to the appointed Traffic Calming Committee, and
- Requires that citizens who apply for traffic calming demonstrate neighborhood support prior to the development of a neighborhood traffic calming master plan. **Recommend Approval.**

Continued to the meeting of August 4, 2016 upon motion of Alderman Thomas, seconded by

Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried per the City Manager's recommendation.

<u>Bay Street Traffic Calming/Parking Improvements</u> At the direction of the City Manager, a trial period for no parking on Bay Street will be held during the month of September; and a temporary median will be implemented to widen lanes.

City Manager Cutter stated Council was given a presentation on improvements to Bay Street on a temporary basis in the Work Session. She requested to have approval to move forward with a 30 day pilot project that will include eliminating parking from the north and south end of Bay Street along with other traffic calming devices such as striping to widen the existing roads. They expect to implement the project beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> and ending September 30<sup>th</sup>. They will measure the impact during the month of September and will come back with recommendations at a later date. The Mayor stated we are also going to speak with the business owners and residents to get their input. Ms. Cutter replied yes, they will be a part of the process. **Recommend Approval.** Approved upon motion of Alderman Thomas, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried per the City Manager's recommendation.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Settlement of Litigation: Mayor and Aldermen v. Estate of Benjamin M. Tucker was killed in a traffic accident when his golf cart was hit by a speeding car on Grand Prize of America Avenue. His estate filed suit against the City and one of its employees, and several other parties which including the driver of the automobile, his employer and the Westin Savannah Harbor and Resort. All parties have reach settlements with the plaintiff. The City's settlement is contingent upon approval of the Mayor and Aldermen. Under the settlement the City will pay the estate \$200,000. City Attorney recommends approval. Recommend Approval. Approved upon motion of Alderman Thomas, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried per the City Attorney's recommendation.

<u>Settlement of Litigation: Mayor and Aldermen v. Joseph Lloyd</u> sustained personal injuries when his car was struck by a vehicle being improperly pursed by two SCMPD officers. In exchange for a full release and dismal of his lawsuit, the City will pay to Mr. Lloyd \$200, 000. City Attorney recommends approval. **Recommend Approval.** Approved upon motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried per the City Attorney's recommendation.

## BIDS, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

Upon a motion by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried, the following bids, contracts and agreements were approved per the City Manager's recommendations:

<u>Removal – Contract Modification No. 1 – Event No. 3818.</u> Recommend approval of Contract Modification No. 1 to C&M Dredging in the amount of \$50,000.00. The original contract was for the dredging of 2,500 cubic yards of accumulated alum sludge from the alum sludge pond and the pumping of the sludge into a drying cell at the Industrial & Domestic Water Plant. This contract modification is needed to remove additional sludge from the pond to maintain

compliance with existing National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits. When the sludge was packed, it dried faster than anticipated due to the type of polymer used. This allowed for additional sludge to be packed and removed.

The original contract was approved by Council on March 15, 2016 in the amount of \$155,000.00. The total amount of this contract to date, including this modification, is \$205,000.00. Two bids were originally received, but only C&M Dredging was able to meet the required MWBE goal of 8% MBE.

Recommend approval of Contract Modification No. 1 to C&M Dredging in the amount of \$50,000.00. Sixty calendar days have also been added to the project. The new completion date will be August 31, 2016. Funds are available in the 2016 Budget, Capital Improvements Fund/Capital Improvement Projects/Other Costs/Sludge Pond Dredging (Account No. 311-9207-52842-WT0821). **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Janitorial Services for Various Locations – Annual Contract – Event No. 3939.</u> Recommend approval to award an annual contract for janitorial services for various City buildings to AP Security in the amount of \$3,240.00, TC Janitorial in the amount of \$6,588.00, Advanced Building Group in the amount of \$33,936.00, and Imagann Cleaning in the amount of \$34,800.00.

This contract was previously awarded by Council on April 14, 2016 to D&T Turnkey and Rehabilitation in the amount of \$47,928.00 and to Superior Janitorial in the amount of \$4,200.00, for a total amount of \$52,128.00. However, D&T Turnkey and Rehabilitation's contract had to be terminated due to repeated poor performance issues, including inadequate cleaning techniques and responsiveness to reported problems. Each location serviced has been recommended for award to the next lowest bidder. Superior Janitorial will continue to service the location previously awarded. The total amount of the contract is now \$82,764.00.

The bid was advertised, opened, and reviewed. Delivery: As Requested. Terms: Net 30 Days. The bidders were:

Superior Janitorial (Garden City, GA) (D)	(Partial Bid)	\$12,600.00*
TC Janitorial (Chatham County) (D)	(Partial Bid)	\$18,588.00*
AP Security (Savannah, GA) (A)	(Partial Bid)	\$54,018.85*
Advanced Building Group (Atlanta, GA) (D)		\$93,732.00*
Imagann Cleaning (Savannah, GA) (B)		\$113,700.00*
D&T Turnkey and Rehabilitation (D)		\$54,168.00*
Savannah River Enterprises (B)		\$124,416.00*
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Funds are available in the 2016 Budget, Various Accounts. A Pre-Bid Conference was conducted six vendors attended. (A) Indicates local, minority-owned business. (B)Indicates local, non-minority owned business. (D)Indicates non-local, non-minority owned business. (\*)Indicates total bid amount. **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Roadside Vegetation Maintenance Services – Annual Contract – Event No. 4246.</u> Recommend approval to award an annual contract for roadside vegetation maintenance services to Natur-Chem, Inc. in the amount of \$31,878.00. The Streets Maintenance Department will use the services to maintain approximately 53 miles of roadway rights of way in various locations within the City limits.

Bids were advertised, opened, and reviewed. Delivery: As Requested. Terms: Net 30 Days. The bidders were:

L.B.	Natur-Chem (Lexington, KY) (D)	\$31,878.00
	J. Corbett Enterprise (D)	\$29,724.00*
	First Cuts, LLC (D)	\$105,984.00

Funds are available in the 2016 Budget, General Fund/Streets Maintenance/Other Contractual Service (Account No. 101-2105-51295). A Pre-Proposal Meeting was not held for this event. (D)Indicates a non-local, non-minority owned business. (\*)Indicates a bid that was withdrawn due to an error in the submitted bid. **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Crushed Stone – Annual Contract – Event No. 4255</u>. Recommend approval to award an annual contract for crushed stone to Martin Marietta in the amount of \$229,450.00. The Streets Maintenance Department and other various departments will use the contract for routine needs and repairs.

Notifications were sent to all known vendors; however, only one bid was received. The bid was advertised, opened, and reviewed. Delivery: As Requested. Terms: Net 30 Days. The bidder was:

#### L.B. Martin Marietta (Augusta, GA) (D)

\$229,450.00

Funds are available in the 2016 Budget, General Fund/Streets Maintenance/Construction Supplies and Materials (Account No. 101-2105-51340). A Pre-Proposal Conference was conducted, however, no vendors attended. (D)Indicates a non-local, non-minority owned business. **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Liquid Aluminum Sulfate – Annual Contract – Event No. 4340.</u> Recommend approval to award an annual contract for liquid aluminum sulfate to Chemtrade Chemicals US, LLC in the amount of \$319,200.00. The Industrial and Domestic Water Plant will use the liquid aluminum sulfate to treat City's water supply.

The bid was advertised, opened, and reviewed. Delivery: As Needed. Terms: Net 30 Days. The bidders were:

L.B.	Chemtrade Chemicals US, LLC (Parsippany, NJ) (D)	\$319,200.00
	GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. (D)	\$687,800.00

Funds are available in the 2016 Budget, I&D Water Fund/I&D Water Operations/Chemicals (Account No. 531-2581-51323). A Pre-Bid Conference was conducted and one vendor attended. (D)Indicates non-local, non-minority owned business. **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Trimble Hand Held Receivers – Sole Source – Event No. 4410.</u> Recommend approval to procure Trimble Ranger handheld receivers and training from United Utilities in the amount of \$50,470.00. The Water Distribution Department will use the receivers to collect data from water meters in the field for billing customers. The reason this is a sole source is because the additional items to be used with existing equipment are only available from this supplier. The receivers are programmed to read the Orion Module that the City is currently using. This module allows automatic meter reading capabilities and programming of existing water meters.

Delivery: As Requested. Terms: Net 30 Days. The vendor is:

#### S.S. United Utilities (Smyrna, GA) (D)

\$50,470.00

Funds are available in the 2016 Budget, Water and Sewer Fund/Water Distribution/Construction Supplies and Materials (Account No. 521-2503-51340). A Pre-Bid Conference was not conducted as this is sole source procurement. (D)Indicates non-local, non-minority owned business. **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Water and Sewer Agreement – 532/534 East State Street.</u> J. Leander, LLC has requested a water and sewer agreement for 532/534 East State Street. The water and sewer systems have adequate capacity to serve this 2 equivalent residential unit development on State Street. The water and sewer systems have adequate capacity to serve this 2 equivalent residential unit development on State Street. The agreement is consistent with policy directives given by the Mayor and Aldermen and has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney for legal format. **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Water and Sewer Agreement – Hodge Elementary School.</u> The Board of Public Education has requested a water and sewer agreement for Hodge Elementary School. The water and sewer systems have adequate capacity to serve this development off Clinch Street. The agreement is consistent with policy directives given by the Mayor and Aldermen and has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney for legal format. **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Water and Sewer Agreement – Lot #57 Jefferson Street.</u> Kara Homes, LLC has requested a water and sewer agreement for Lot #57 Jefferson Street. The water and sewer systems have adequate capacity to serve this 3 equivalent residential unit development on Jefferson Street. The agreement is consistent with policy directives given by the Mayor and Aldermen and has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney for legal format. **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Water and Sewer Agreement – Midtown Hotel (FI&s Savannah).</u> 5801 Abercorn LLC has requested a water and sewer agreement for Midtown Hotel (FI&s Savannah). The water and sewer systems have adequate capacity to serve this 49 sewer and 52 water equivalent residential unit development on Abercorn Street. The agreement is consistent with policy directives given by the Mayor and Aldermen and has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney for legal format. **Recommend Approval.** 

Heritage Golf Tournament Sponsorship, \$91,500.00 – Savannah/Hilton Head International <u>Airport</u>. The Savannah Airport Commission requests approval to renew its sponsorship for the annual Heritage Golf Tournaments by execution of a new Sponsorship Agreement in the amount of \$91,500.00. The term of the Agreement will be effective for three years, beginning January 1,

2017, through December 31, 2019. In exchange for certain privileges which include a Corporate Skybox, 20 Sponsor Clubhouse Badges, 280 Day Specific Grounds Tickets, parking passes, and other benefits, the Commission will pay a fee of Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollars for each of the 2017 and 2018 Tournaments and \$31,500 for the 2019 Tournament. **Recommend Approval.** 

Hilton Head Island Chamber Visitor's Bureau Broadcast Sponsorship – Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport. The Savannah Airport Commission requests approval to participate with the Hilton Head Island Chamber Visitor's Bureau in a television broadcast sponsorship opportunity in an amount of (not to exceed) \$50,000.00. The details of the show must remain confidential until the destination has been officially chosen but the opportunity is unique because of the vast exposure Hilton Head Island would receive. The show is the top rated reality television show on one of the three major networks, and reaches 11 million viewers weekly. It airs in 225 countries worldwide and is the No. 1 program for women ages 18-49. The destination would be featured exclusively on one episode. Approximately 50% of travelers to the airport are bound for Hilton Head Island. **Recommend Approval.** 

Renew a Contract with The Vaquer Firm, LLC - Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport. The Savannah Airport Commission requests approval to renew a contract with the Vaquer Firm, LLC in the amount of \$48,000.00. The Vaquer Firm, LLC will continue to provide Governmental Affairs Services to the Savannah Airport Commission and will serve to amend (expand scope, add tasks) and extend the terms of the original 2013 agreement. The Vaquer Firm will represent the Savannah Airport Commission for the purposes of all State and Local Legislative Issues. These services will include identification and tracking of State legislation related to airports, airlines, airplanes, noise, aviation, airspace, TSA, FAA, obstructions, tower, runways, taxiways, any and all aviation-related activity, and any other intergovernmental issues at the State and Local level for a twelve-month period, including coordination with Federal lobbyist from Hurt, Norton, and Associates where advisable and prudent. The firm will work with Georgia Department of Transportation (GADOT), Airport, County, and Georgia Department of Revenue to resolve the aviation fuel sale task issue. Also, the Firm will attend GADOT meetings to monitor for issues of importance to SAC. The Commission will pay a fee of \$48,000.00 to The Vaguer Firm for the twelve-month period (\$4,000 per month) from September 1, 2016 – August 31, 2017, with an option to renew for three additional one year periods. Recommend Approval.

Access Control System Upgrades – Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport. The Savannah Airport Commission requests approval of a contract with Johnson Controls, Inc. in the amount of \$79,750.00. The access control system uses a combination of identification badges and biometric readers to provide or restrict access to various entry points throughout the airport. The upgrade will allow for the installation of additional biometric readers to telecommunication closets, in order to better protect the Airport's Information Technology infrastructure. The biometric readers will allow staff to not only provide or restrict access, but to log a history associated with each entry and exit to these important locations. The project will consist of all labor and materials to install biometric readers to 16 telecommunications closets, and 3 doors located in the APD dispatch center and badging office; to include all conduit, cabling, patch panels, control-units, and other items defined by the proposed scope of work. Johnson Controls, Inc. is the Airport's Access Control System provider, and the additional biometric readers will be

an extension of its current system; therefore, this is sole source procurement. Recommend Approval.

Jumbo G/A FIS Facility – Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport. The Savannah Airport Commission requests approval of Amendment No. 2 to Task Order No. 4 with RS&H in the amount of \$125,320.00 for additional services associated with the Jumbo G/A FIS Facility. The additional services include the following: Additional design development and construction documents (plans and technical specifications) for Program revision to accommodate new aircraft mix and increased passenger processing of 300 PPH. The original apron was sized for a simultaneous B737 and Dash-8 Q400. The new aircraft program is a B767-300ER and G650 aircraft.

This apron geometry changed substantially and increased 3,100 SYD and requires the reconfiguration and reconstruction of the intersection of Taxiway G and Taxiway GA6. The original building was sized to accommodate 200 PPH and is revised to 300 PPH. The resultant building size changes from 14,000 SFT to 19,600 SFT. Additional building elements that were not included in the original basis of design include cleared commercial passenger waiting lounge for 30-40 people; bag drop facilities for commercial passengers; canopy for bus and passenger weather protection similar to the main terminal; and Airport storage and custodial space. **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Georgia Department of Transportation – Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport</u>. The Savannah Airport Commission requests approval of a contract offer from the Georgia Department of Transportation in the amount of \$186,966.00 for the Reconstruct Taxiway E-1, Airfield Lighting and Signage Upgrades Project. The remainder of the funding on the project, which was approved at the June 1, 2016 Commission meeting, will be through the FAA Airport Improvement Program (AIP) and SAC. **Recommend Approval.** 

<u>Uniforms for Savannah Fire and Emergency Services – Annual Contract – Event No. 4199.</u> Recommend approval to award an annual contract for uniforms to Galls, LLC in the amount of \$52,598.00. The Savannah Fire and Emergency Services (SFES) Department will use the uniforms for uniformed personnel and will include shirts, pants, ties, jackets, and shorts. The uniforms will have SFES embroidery and patches.

The bid was advertised, opened, and reviewed. Delivery: As Requested. Terms: Net 30 Days. The bidders were:

L.B.	Galls, LLC (Lexington, KY) (D)	\$52,598.00
	Patrick's Uniforms (D)	\$64,235.89

Funds are available in the 2016 Budget, General Fund/Fire Administration/Clothing and Laundry (Account No. 101-5101-51310). A Pre-Proposal Meeting was conducted and one vendor attended. (D)Indicates a non-local, non-minority owned business.

Alderman Johnson stated he would like the City manager to take a closer look at purchasing. Items number 19 and 20 are both bids that were recommended to be offered to businesses in Lexington, KY. Between both bids there is \$83,000 of the community's money going to Lexington, KY. He proposed they have a tiered system in which businesses in the City of

Savannah have the best opportunity to compete and those who are in Chatham County in general have a better opportunity to compete than those who are out of state. He believes it is a great opportunity and this is a means for them to keep local money local. The Mayor stated he agrees with Alderman Johnson. **Recommend Approval.** Approved upon motion of Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried per the City Manager's recommendation.

<u>Pickup Trucks – Event No. 4283.</u> Recommend approval to procure 21 pickup trucks from O.C. Welch Ford Lincoln, Inc. in the amount of \$450,035.00. The Vehicle Maintenance Department will use nineteen of the pickup trucks to replace units that are no longer economical to repair. Two pickup trucks were included in the 2016 Budget as fleet additions for the President Street Water Reclamation Plant and the Water Supply and Treatment Department.

The bid was advertised, opened, and reviewed. Delivery: As Requested. Terms: Net 30 Days. The bidders were:

L.B.	O.C. Welch Ford Lincoln, Inc.	(Hardeeville, SC) (D)	\$450,035.00
	Ben Mynatt Chevrolet (D)	(Partial Bid)	\$424,292.73
	J.C. Lewis (B)		\$460,249.80
	Griffin Ford Sales, Inc. (D)		\$460,577.68

Alderman Thomas stated this is a purchase for 21 pickup trucks that have been awarded to a business out of state. He noticed J.C. Lewis bid was \$460.249.80, a partial bid of \$424,292.73 from Ben Mynatt Chevrolet which he does not know what that represents, and the firm in which the bid was awarded to. He asked the City Manager what is the percentage for local businesses She replied 2%. Alderman Thomas stated this is half a million dollars and there will be more money spent purchasing new vehicles. He asked if they have discussed with local businesses what they have planned going forward so they can bid appropriately. The City Manager replied the purchasing department has taking strides to enhance their outreach efforts specifically to local vendors in an effort to encourage participation. Everything is posted on the website and it is a competitive process. They are going to start looking at other outlets to enhance local participation. She also stated Alderman Johnson mentioned one avenue they will follow up with and they will look at increasing the 2% to 5%. The Mayor stated Mr. Welch along with Mr. Lewis are very strong philanthropists in the community. They both do a lot for the community and are noticed for all they do. Alderman Thomas stated his concern is one being a business located in the community and one is not located in this community. Recommend Approval. Approved upon motion of Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Bell, and carried with the following voting in favor: Mayor DeLoach, Aldermen Bell, Foster, Miller, Durrence, Johnson, Hall, and Alderman Thomas opposed.

<u>Mayfair Playground Equipment – Sole Source – Event No. 4434</u>. Recommend approval to procure playground equipment from Game Time in the amount of \$111,370.86.The Parks and Recreation Department will use the playground equipment at the Mayfair Playground.

The procurement method used for this procurement was a Request for Proposal issued by Charlotte-Mecklenburg County, NC as part of the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance. U.S. Communities is a purchasing cooperative that provides procurement resources and solutions to local and state government agencies, K-12 school districts, higher education

institutions, and non-profit organizations at the contractor's lowest available government pricing. Third party audits are performed on all contracts and benchmarking analysis conducted to ensure ongoing value. U.S. Communities adheres to a stringent competitive selection process for all contracts offered through the program. Lead governmental agencies issue the competitive solicitations and oversee the evaluation, award, and contractual process.

Cooperative purchasing is authorized as an appropriate procurement method in Division 10 Section 4-4152 of the Purchasing Ordinance.

Proposals were received from nine proposers May 5, 2010. An evaluation selection team comprised of representatives from Charlotte-Mecklenburg County, Fairfax County VA schools, Davis, CA United schools, and the city of Los Angeles, CA reviewed and scored the proposals. A contract was awarded by Charlotte-Mecklenburg County and a master agreement with U.S. Communities was signed through September 16, 2016.

Delivery: 30-45 Days. Terms: Net 30 Days. The proposer was:

B.P. GameTime c/o Dominica

Recreation Products, Inc. (Longwood, FL) (D) \$111,370.86

Funds are available in the 2016 Budget, Capital Improvements Fund/Capital Improvement Projects/Construction Supplies and Materials/Mayfair Playground Equipment (Account No. 311-9207-51340-RE0225). This project is being funded in part by SPLOST VI funds allocated to District 4. A Pre-Bid Conference was not conducted as this was a cooperative bid. (D)Indicates non-local, non-minority owned business.

Alderman Miller stated sometimes they are accused of moving deliberately slow but he was surprised how staff was quickly able to get this project done. This request was made by the Mayfair Neighborhood Association and staff immediately handled it very quickly. \$100,000 of the funds is coming out of SPLOST and \$11,000 came from the recreation department. He wanted to congratulate the staff and the City Manager for getting everything accomplished. **Recommend Approval.** Approved upon motion of Alderman Miller, seconded by Alderman Bell, and unanimously carried per the City Manager's recommendation.

<u>Lighting Infrastructure for Hitch Village – Sole Source – Event No. 4448</u>. Recommend approval of a procurement of light poles from Georgia Power in the amount of \$76,263.00. The Hitch Village Infrastructure Project requires 28 light poles that will provide service along Perry Lane, McAlister Street, and Hull Street to complete the project. Additionally, sidewalks are scheduled to be installed within the next few weeks. Installing the light poles first will eliminate the need to re-work portions of the sidewalk at a later date. Georgia Power is providing power for the street lights. The reason this is a sole source is because Georgia Power is the sole provider of light poles that are compatible with the electrical infrastructure already in place at the project.

The construction contract was awarded by Council to McLendon Enterprises on December 10, 2015 in the amount of \$1,085,350.20. The contract contained a bid allowance for lighting in the amount of \$100,000.00. This amount will be reduced from McLendon Enterprises' bid amount because the City is purchasing the lighting for the project directly from Georgia Power.

Delivery: Immediately. Terms: Net 30 Days.

S.S. Georgia Power (Atlanta, GA) (D)

\$76,263.00

Funds are available in the 2016 Budget, Capital Improvement Fund/Capital Improvement Projects/Other Costs/Hitch Village Infrastructure (Acct. No. 311-9207-52842-PD117). A Pre-Proposal Meeting was not conducted as this is an emergency purchase. (D)Indicates a non-local, non-minority owned business.

Alderman Durrence stated he is glad to see this being done in conjunction with the other infrastructures and sidewalk work so they don't have to go back and redo something later. **Recommend Approval.** Approved upon motion of Alderman Durrence, seconded by Alderman Miller, and unanimously carried.

#### **Announcements**

Alderman Bell invited the Public to the closing ceremony of the Summer 500 on next Friday, July 29, 20116 at the Savannah Banana's baseball game in Daffin Park.

Alderman Johnson expressed his concern with an incident that was on video involving three SCMPD officers when they approached a young man sitting in the passenger side of a vehicle and asked for his name. The young man stated his name is Patrick. The officers asked him to get out the car, and the young man asked what this is about. Ultimately the young man was tased. It was revealed that his name was Patrick and he was not the young man the officers were looking for. Understandably, law enforcers have a difficult and dangerous job. However, in this particular situation from the video the officers had a tactical advantage. We have a use of force continuum that dictates how force should be used in different situations. This video is upsetting and with the events has taken place across the country it is clear why people are upset. People make mistakes and sometimes people do make a rush in judgement, but we have a video. The police chief is doing an investigation and hopefully it doesn't take any longer because the incident happened in February. He stated he is addressing this issue because on any given day, minus the uniform that he once wore. On any day, minus the suit that he wears now, on the streets of Savannah he is Patrick. He is that guy. They have to make sure that not only do they support officers in doing the right thing, but when they are wrong, they do the right thing as well. He's willing to give the benefit of the doubt and he's willing to give due process, but he doesn't think that this is an incident that needs to be swept under a rug. There are people that look at this type of incident and they see inequality and that something is wrong. He would hate for it to be him or anyone with sons and there is no video. He does not want to pass judgement and he rather say this in a public forum because it is important that they keep it in the front of their radar. They've been blessed that they don't have the incidents against police that has been happening in other parts of the nation. We don't need anyone doing any harm to their police officers. To keep that type of sentiment down they have to make sure they do the right thing.

There being no further business, Mayor DeLoach declared this meeting of Council adjourned.

Ayanne G. Reese, MMC